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(C) Poloffs met April 20 with Nelson Amaya, MFA Deputy Director General for Foreign Policy, Ambassador Carlos Adrian Velasco Novoa, MFA Multilateral Affairs Director, and Egriselda Gonzalez, Desk Officer in Charge of Candidacies, to request GOES support for the U.S. candidacy for the Human Rights Council. Amaya told us that he expected the GOES would support the candidacy, especially since there are three candidates for three available slots. Embassy delivered the HRC Pledge and declaration of candidacy to the MFA via diplomatic note April 17. Amaya said the MFA would draft an official response to the diplomatic note on this issue within the coming week.  
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